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## TWO KILLED NEAR BOLEY

## NEGRO OFFICIAL AND OUTLAW EXCHANGE FATAL SHOTS

## TOWN POPULACE EXCITED

## Killing May Have Resulted From Plot.

The little town of Boley, I. T., inhabited exclusively by four or five hundred negroes, furnished a tragedy last evening, the details of which tell of the death of two persons and the arrest of several others. Near the city live the Simmons family, white, composed of nine boys, three girls and the aged mother. The Simmons boys have long been recognized as outlaws of the most desperate kind. Andy, the eldest brother, killed a deputy sheriff at Pawnee two years ago and there is now a reward of \$500 offered for his capture, dead or alive.

Recently there have been many horses stolen in the vicinity of Boley and the Simmons boys were suspected as the ones who did the stealing. Deputy United States Marshal Webb at Weleetka, had within the last week or two removed Wood, the colored officer in charge of the town of Boley, and appointed a negro named Schaffer, who was noted for his shrewdness and daring in the capture of desperate criminals. It is said that he had boasted that he would clean out the Simmons gang. The Simmons boys heard of this and apparently formed a plot to put the officer out of the way.

Yesterday afternoon Marshal Schaffer received word that Dick Simmons, aged twenty-three, was at home. He at once mounted his horse and, accompanied by ex-Marshall Wood, both heavily armed, went to the Simmons place. While scouring through the brush, Dick Simmons deliberately stepped from behind a thick growth of low trees, called to the officer and asked him what he was doing there. Before Schaffer could reply Simmons shot him through the stomach. The marshal turned on his horse and fired at the outlaw, two shots from his Winchester rifle, both of these taking effect near the region of Simmons' heart. The officer then fell from his horse, dead. The other officer, Wood, was some distance from his companion when the firing began, and by the time he could reach the scene of the tragedy both men were dead.

A posse of seven armed negroes then went from Boley to the Simmons home and arrested the youngest boy, named Isaac, and brought him to town, together with the body of his dead brother and that of the officer which had been loaded into a wagon.

Another one of the boys, Lewis, aged about twenty, walked to Padon barefooted to purchase a coffin for his dead brother and while there was arrested. When questioned concerning the killing last night he had nothing much to say, but was very indignant when he learned that the posse of officers had taken his younger brother to Boley, riding his sorrel horse, which had a lame foot.

The little town is all excitement and the real horror of the double killing, together with the superstition of the negroes, has frenzied the populace and it is thought it will be necessary to send for outside aid to assist in keeping order.

Many people think that Officer Schaffer showed great indiscretion in going to the Simmons place as he did, knowing the desperate character of the men he was seeking to capture. It is thought that the Simmons gang had formed a plot to entice the officer to come to the farm to arrest them, in order that they might secure an opportunity to kill him.

## TROUBLE FOR ATTORNEY

## Alleged That He Advised Client to Feign Insanity to Avoid Prosecution.

Special to Daily Leader.  
Oklahoma City, Okla., Aug. 10.—William E. Jones, who appeared before the insanity board of Oklahoma county and, after a careful examination, was duly declared insane and committed to the territorial asylum at Norman.

This same Jones, at the time, was a prisoner charged with the awful

## crime of incest. In such cases the insanity dodge is often resorted to to escape conviction and sentence to the penitentiary.

Jones was taken to Norman on Monday afternoon and there given the insanity test by the authorities of the territorial hospital for the insane. His insanity dodge was the rankest kind of fake and he proved a consummate flake. The fellow made a full confession, when he broke down, and is alleged to have made a confession to the effect that he had played the insanity dodge upon instructions from his attorney or attorneys, who, he said, told him it was the only possible means by which he might escape incarceration in the territorial penitentiary.

The sanitarium authorities are preparing a statement of the case to be forwarded to Judge Burwell.

It is probable that Jones will be returned here to undergo the legal process.

It is also probable that the man's confession may also involve his attorney in serious trouble if his alleged statement is verified.

The matter has caused a decided sensation in this city and developments will be awaited with interest.

## HARRIMAN STARTS FOR JAPAN.

(By Associated Press.)  
San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 10.—E. H. Harriman was among the passengers sailing from here today for Japan. Mr. Harriman will make an extended tour of the country probably combining some business with his pleasure trip.

## CONVENTION AT PORTLAND

## Trans-Mississippi Congress Opens Biggest Session in History.

(By Associated Press.)  
Portland, Ore., Aug. 10.—The sixteenth annual convention of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress opened the biggest session in its history here today. The delegates represent cotton growers of the South, wheat farmers of the West and manufacturers of the East. Theodore B. Wilcox of Portland, is president of the congress; John W. Noble, St. Louis, first vice president; Arthur F. Francis, Portland secretary; and George H. Harrison, Jr., Kansas City, treasurer. A number of important subjects are to be discussed, among which are Oriental trade, transportation, merchant marine, the isthmian canal, forestry, irrigation, and Alaskan problems.

## COWED BY PROTECTION

## Home Market Crowd Run Successful Bluff on Administration.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Aug. 10.—Because of protests made by the Home Market club of Boston against protectionists attending the National Reciprocity convention at Chicago, there will be no official representation of the conference by the government. Secretaries Wilson and Metcalf were to have sent experts to the conference to participate in it, but since revoking the protest concluded that the interests of public service would be best conserved by their non-participation in the conference.

## CONGRESS FOR

## GREGORIAN CHANT.

(By Associated Press.)  
Strasbourg, Alsace, Aug. 10.—The International congress for Gregorian Chant opened here today with delegates from nearly all the civilized countries of the world. Doctrinal sessions will be held daily and divided into private and public meetings. They will be devoted to essays read by acknowledged authorities on the liturgical, the historical and aesthetic aspects of Gregorian Chant.

## SECRETARY WILSON'S BIRTHDAY.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Aug. 10.—Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson today celebrated his seventieth birthday. He received many letters and telegrams of congratulation from friends and officials, while many of those employed in his department personally called to extend their greetings to Mr. Wilson. He is looking better than he did a few weeks ago, but his friends can see that the strain of the scandals which have lately cropped out in his department is telling on Mr. Wilson. He has been head of the agriculture department about eight years and five months.

Don't wait until your blood is impoverished and you are sick and ailing, but take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It will positively drive out all impurities, 25 cents. Tea or Tablets. Ask your druggist.

## MUST ABATE BOYCOTT EVIL

## UNITED STATES WILL HOLD CHINA RESPONSIBLE

## CLAIMS TREATY RIGHTS

## Meanwhile American Shipments Grow Less.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Aug. 10.—It was said at the state department today that the United States government intends to hold the Chinese government responsible for the results of the present boycott of American goods, in so far as the workings of the boycott show an infringement on the provisions of the Tien Tsin treaty, signed between this government and that of China in 1858.

The government at Peking has been informed by Mr. Rockwell, the American minister there, that the United States would insist that the Tien Tsin treaty, and especially that part of it relating to the rights of American citizens to sell goods in China, be enforced to the letter. That many of the steps being taken by those behind the anti-American movement involve infringements upon the agreement of 1858, which the Chinese government should prevent, is the belief of government officials.

One phase of the movement which touches particularly on this aspect of the situation is the proposed plan of the boycotters to refuse the use of lighters to American vessels or to allow stevedores to assist in unloading the cargoes of American ships in Chinese ports. Such steps on the part of the Chinese would be regarded by this government as a direct violation of the terms of the treaty, whereby the Chinese government agrees to protect the rights of the American merchants in China so far as the laws of the empire will permit.

## Admit China Helpless.

That the Chinese government is helpless as far as the boycott itself is concerned is acknowledged here. State department officials say that the Chinese government can no more compel the merchants of the empire to buy or not to buy American products than the government in Washington could direct the merchants of the United States to do the same with regard to the goods and products of any other country.

To what extent the government here may hold the Chinese government responsible for the damage inflicted on American citizens by the boycott is a question which can not be determined for a long while, and not until specific cases have been presented to the state department. Protests from American manufacturers continue to reach the state department.

A dispatch was received from Consul General Rogers at Shanghai today saying that the situation remains unchanged. He says also that the representatives of other governments at Shanghai feared some outbreak on account of the agitation attending the anti-American movement.

## DISASTROUS TRADE WAR

## Foretold Unless United States Makes Prompt Change in Tariff Policy.

(By Associated Press.)  
Chicago, Ill., Aug. 10.—Agricultural, live stock and meat producing interests of the whole country gathered here today for the National Reciprocity conference, which the promoters have prepared to make broader in its scope and of more far-reaching importance than any similar meeting ever held in the United States. Ex-Senator W. A. Harris of Kansas, who since he left the senate two years ago, has been conspicuously identified with the live stock interests of the West, is one of the chief promoters of the conference. Not only Western agricultural associations are represented at the conference, but Eastern manufacturing interests as well. The sole design of the movement is to be ready to effectively meet the combined commercial assault of the world on the United States. Said Mr. Harris today: "We must find foreign markets for our enormously increased and rapidly increasing production in all lines, or face one of the greatest periods of commercial stagnation in our history. We are being shut out of the continent of Europe and in a little while, unless something is done to bring about a change, our only customer in that part of the world will be Great Britain. There is now only one way open for us in which to avert the most wasteful commercial war of modern times, and that is to make concessions to our competitors under reciprocity agreements. We are to-day face to face with a new and prohibitive German tariff designed to keep out every pound of American breadstuffs and provisions. Retaliation has been tried at tremendous cost to our producers and manufacturers and is a failure."

Prof. Albert W. Smith Weds.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Stanford, Cal., Aug. 10.—Prof. Albert W. Smith, the well known mechanical engineering expert and former head of that department at Stanford university was married here today to Mrs. Ruby Green Bell, an instructor in entomology at Stanford. The groom was formerly the husband of Mary Roberts Smith, the well known sociologist.

## WASHINGTON'S NEW FERRYBOAT.

(By Associated Press.)  
Wilmington, Del., Aug. 10.—"The Woodbury," the first of the new steamers intended for service between Washington and Alexandria, Va., was launched here today at the yards of Harlan & Hollingsworth.

## City News Told in Brief.

**Cured of Cancer.**  
Mr. Fretwell of Weleetka, who has been at the city hospital for the past two or three weeks, taking x-ray treatment for cancer of the nose, will return home this week cured.

**National Guard Promotions.**  
First Lieutenant David H. Petry has been appointed Captain of Company C, 1st Regiment, Oklahoma National Guard, and Sergeant Lorne Thomas, received the appointment of first lieutenant to fill the vacancy.

## Has Returned to Kansas City.

W. R. Stapleton has returned to his home in Kansas City. Mr. Stapleton recently disposed of his big ranch near Wichita and has invested in Kansas City real estate, buying an apartment house, the rental from which gives him an annual income of \$4,500.

## Is Convalescing.

Mr. H. E. Deane who was injured last week by falling from a moving hand car, and was taken to the city hospital for treatment, is recovering in a most satisfactory way. Mr. Deane was injured about the head and spine and was also injured internally. He will be discharged from the hospital in about ten days.

## Marriage License Issued.

A marriage license was issued today yesterday evening by Probate Judge Strang to Howard H. Wolfe and Miss Laura La Fayette, both of Oklahoma City. The marriage ceremony will take place tonight at Oklahoma City. There is not much doing in marriage licenses these days—too hot.

## Their Eyes Are Open.

Chas. Hoffmeyer, a prominent farmer or from near Nayva, is here today transacting business with Guthrie merchants. Mr. Hoffmeyer says the people of his part of the county who formerly patronized the business houses of Oklahoma City, have discovered their error and are now coming to Guthrie for bargains and getting them.

## School District Fight in Court.

An appeal has been taken from the decision of the twenty commissioners to the district court in the Seward-Nayva school district boundary case. John Rovenhouse, O. S. Confort and J. J. Leander are the parties named in the appeal and they appeal the case, contending that the commissioners ignored the law and based their decision upon matters wholly outside the authority of the board. This school fight is one of long standing and has engendered a great deal of unnecessary blood in that neighborhood. The school districts embraced in the fight are Nos. 40, 41, 42 and 20.

## Proud of Guthrie's Development.

"Peter" and Baxter Williamson, wealthy cattlemen from near Sapulpa, Indian Territory, former Guthrie boys, and well known to the old timers here, are in Guthrie today renewing old acquaintances. They are agreeably surprised at the wonderful growth and development of the capital city during their ten years' absence and are loud in praise of what they please to term "the best city in the two territories." These gentlemen say that Guthrie has a warm place in the hearts of the people of its portion of Indian Territory and should we get station and a vote ever be taken for the capital location, Guthrie would surely get a very large per cent of the votes in and around

## WELCOMED THE ASSEMBLY

## GREAT EPWORTH EVENT OPENS MOST AUSPICIOUSLY

## LARGE CROWD PRESENT

## Visitors are Charmed With Beautiful Surroundings.

The grand old trees at Island park have never before sheltered such a gathering of intellect and congeniality, as assembled at the park this afternoon at three o'clock to welcome the Epworth assembly. More than three thousand residents of Guthrie went to the park and demonstrated to the visitors that the much talked of capital city hospitality was not altogether

Sapulpa. Sapulpa and the territory and towns tributary are very prosperous, the visitors say, and wonderful transformation scenes have been effected in that garden spot of the territory during the past few years. "We are flourishing like a green bay tree," say the Williamsons, singly and jointly.

## Stillwater Editor Here.

Freeman E. Miller, post laureate to the late Democratic nominee for congress, lawyer, politician and genial, college bred gentleman, is here today from Stillwater. Mr. Miller says all is "peace and contentment" in Stillwater, and aside from this a better reputation, financially, agriculturally and politically, never existed heretofore in Payne county. "The county administration over our way is Republican," remarked Mr. Miller, "but the people of Payne were wise sufficiently to place a watchdog over the county finances from the Democratic party. Harry Donah, county clerk, will tell you 'em if they don't see square.'" Mr. Miller is also a newspaper man, and a good one. He publishes the Stillwater Democrat, a paper that stands for Democracy, right and justice at all times.

## Predicts Statehood for Oklahoma.

Ex-Governor W. C. Renfrow of Oklahoma territory is at the Plaster, says the Globe-Democrat. He arrived yesterday on business connected with his oil and mining interests in Missouri and will remain several days. "Oklahoma is enjoying the best year it has ever known," said Mr. Renfrow. "We have everything we desire but statehood, and that will come at the next meeting of congress. If hard work can accomplish anything, Everybody in Oklahoma is taking a vital interest in this issue and the opposition of those who did not wish to see Indian Territory and Oklahoma admitted as one state is being broken down rapidly. They are being shown that the East will never consent to the making of two new states in the West, if it can prevent it, that if we get statehood it must be with the two territories as one. The original Hamilton bill, which would have passed last session had there been time, will be introduced without change at the next term." Mr. Renfrow says that when the territory becomes a state he intends giving up politics. "Politics and business do not go well together and I have chosen the latter," he said.

## Mrs. Fred Oschman Dead.

Last night at eleven o'clock, Mrs. Fred Oschman of Stillwater, who has been ill at the city hospital during the past ten days from the effects of an operation, died. Her death was directly due to cessation of action on the part of the respiratory organs. Mrs. Oschman was recovering from the effects of the operation in a way most satisfactory to the surgeons, the wound being almost entirely healed. About thirty-six hours before she died a relapse occurred and she gradually sank away. Every thing known to medical science was done to assist her to overcome the sinking spells, but the heart failed to respond, and finally ceased to beat.

Mrs. Oschman was well known and popular at Stillwater and her many friends were severely shocked upon learning of the sudden relapse and death. The remains were taken to Stillwater this morning and the funeral services will probably be held Friday. The relatives have been informed of her death.

## ASSEMBLY NOTES.

Island park is cool and beautiful at night, as well as in the day time. Grand concert tonight.

Prof. Leop. L. Rice missed his train this morning out of Wichita and did not arrive until two o'clock.

The Epworth guards are going to prove a feature of the assembly. The Oklahoma City guard is uniformed.

Every Island park car was crowded this afternoon with Guthrie people who were present at the afternoon entertainment welcoming the visiting Epworth workers.

Rev. Disch has worked with untiring zeal all through the day assisting with the arrangement of the little details

## PEACE MOVES ALONG SLOWLY

## SESSION OF CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY IS UNDER DISCUSSION

## JAPS WANTED MORE TIME

## Why Fight Over Sakhalin Island Was Delayed.

(By Associated Press.)  
Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 10.—The morning session of the peace commission ended at one o'clock. The entire time was consumed in discussion of Article Seven. The following statement of the conference was made by Korostovetz at the close of the session: "In the morning sitting of August 10, the conference has taken up the discussion of Article Seven. The discussion not having been finished, the conference has taken a recess until three o'clock. The session will be resumed at three o'clock."

All questions relating to Korea and Manchuria, except the question of the Chinese Eastern railway and the Siberian line running through Northern Manchuria from the station "Manchuria," on the Amur via Harbin to Vladivostok, are settled in the five articles already adopted. Some confusion has arisen about those articles and the following resume can be accepted as absolutely accurate:

- 1.—Recognition of Japan's "preponderant influence" in Korea, etc.
- 2.—Mutual obligation to evacuate Manchuria, Russia to retrocede to China all special privileges, etc.
- 3.—Japanese obligation to restore the sovereignty and administration of China in Manchuria.
- 4.—Mutual obligations to respect the territorial and administrative integrity of China and the principle of the "open door."
- 5.—The surrender of the Russian lease to the Liao Tung peninsula, including Port Arthur, Daini and the Houde and Elliott islands.

The remaining seven articles (not given in numerical order) are:

- 1.—The question of Sakhalin; reimbursement for the cost of the war. The cession to China of the Chinese Eastern railway; the article relating to that railroad running through Northern Manchuria, which includes for policing of the road by China and not by Russia; fishing rights on the Siberian coast north of Vladivostok to the Behring sea; the article affecting Russia's naval power in the Far East, and that providing for the surrender of the Russian warships interned in far eastern waters. To all of these Russia has more or less objections.

The discussion on Sakhalin went far enough to determine the opposition of Russia to its cession, and there had not the slightest sign of yielding when the agreement was reached to reserve a decision on the article until later. Competent Japanese authorities, however, still insist that Japan will never abandon this point.

They declare, however, that Baron Komura and Mr. Takahira will go to the extreme limit to secure the bases of the "Treaty of Washington." They do not pretend to say that they are assured the treaty will be signed. They do not even say that they are hopeful. Their position may thus be officially stated:

Japan's plenipotentiaries will continue the negotiations as far as possible without yielding on those points which Japan has long ago decided are essential demands. If after this earnest effort it is impossible to reach an agreement with Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen, Japan will assume that further negotiations are useless and her envoys will regretfully take leave and the Japanese government will immediately turn her attention to the campaign in Manchuria. It has been made plain by Japan that both sides can conduct the negotiations with a freer hand and make concessions on certain points with less danger of embarrassment of public opinion at home if the negotiations are kept secret.

That are always left to be finished at the last moment, although he is physically scarcely able to be at the park, having taken a severe cold, which is causing him considerable annoyance.

If the crowd at the concert tonight is sufficient, the manager of the street railway stated this afternoon that trailers would be attached to the cars, in order that it will not be necessary to wait long to return to the city after the close of the entertainment.